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SUBJECT: CAMBODIANS REPLY TO THAI PROTEST NOTE

1. BANGKOK POST REPORTED FEB 15 THAT CAMBODIA HAS REPLIED TO THAI NOTE DATED JAN 31 PROTESTING KC ATTACKS ON THREE THAI VILLAGES THREE DAYS PREVIOUSLY (REF A). CAMBODIA APPARENTLY REJECTED THE THAI PROTEST. CAMBODIAN NOTE (WE DO NOT RPT NOT HAVE TEXT OR EXACT DATE) CLAIMED THAT THE VILLAGES WERE BETWEEN 300 AND 800 METERS INSIDE CAMBODIA AND THAT THE PERSONS KILLED WERE CAMBODIAN NATIONALS. CURIOUSLY, NOTE STATED THAT "THE GOVERNMENT OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA WAS ARRANGING ITS INTERNAL AFFAIRS IN THESE THREE VILLAGES," (SIC), AND THEN DEMANDED THAT THAILAND "MAKE ITS APOLOGIES FOR THE LOSS OF LIFE OF THE INHABITANTS AND FIGHTERS OF KAMPUCHEA." ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER ARTICLE, THAI OFFICIALS ARE SAID TO HAVE DENIED CAMBODIAN CLAIMS THAT VILLAGES ARE INSIDE CAMBODIA, THAT PEOPLE KILLED WERE CAMBODIANS, OR THAT THAILAND HAD ORGANIZED "KHMER TRAITORS TO CONTINUOUSLY

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CARRY OUT PROVOCATIVE ACTIVITIES AGAINST DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA," AS CAMBODIAN NOTE ALLEGED.

2. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL TOLD EMBOFF FEB 15 THAT NOTE IS SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT FROM THAT WHICH CIRCULATED LAST WEEK IN PEKING (REF B), OF WHICH THAI EMBASSY THERE HAS KEPT FOREIGN MINISTRY INFORMED.

HE SAID CAMBODIA'S NOTE WAS PASSED TO RTG THROUGH LIAISON
OFFICE SYSTEM IN ARANYAPRATHET-POIPET. SOURCE
ACKNOWLEDGED THAT POST ARTICLE IS ACCURATE, WITH THE ORIGINAL
TEXT AS CONFUSING AS ARTICLE. HE SAID CONSENSUS AT MINISTRY
IS THAT CAMBODIANS ARE NOT DENYING THAT THEY WERE RESPONSIBLE
FOR THE ATTACKS.
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